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Applicants: Charles G. Cochrane et al.)
 Serial No. 08/419,824)
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 For: PULMONARY SURFACTANT PROTEINS)
 AND RELATED POLYPEPTIDES)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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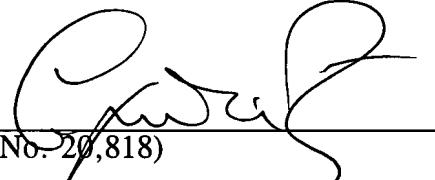
In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated 7 January 1997 in the above-identified application, the applicants provisionally elect for prosecution the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1-33 drawn to compounds and compositions. The election is made with traverse. Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is requested inasmuch as the compounds and compositions of Group I are related sufficiently closely to the methods of use contemplated by the claims of Group II. It is believed that both groups of claims can be conveniently searched at the same time.

Further, and in response to the requirement to elect a single disclosed species, applicants provisionally elect for prosecution at this time the species KLLLLKLLLLKLLLLKLLLLK, i.e., the species defined by claim 9 and the corresponding pulmonary surfactant defined by claim 22.

Claims 1-7 read on claim 9. Claims 8, 12-17, 21 and 25-33 read on claim 22.

An early action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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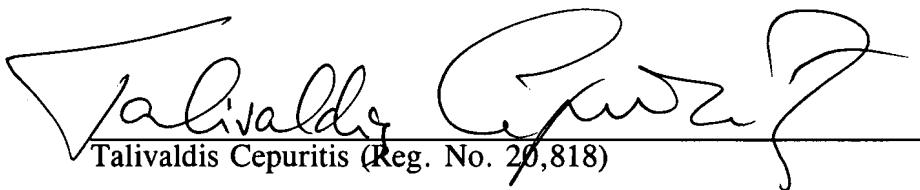


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